# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

	Civil Action No.
H. BRUCE BOAL and SCOTT LEE BOAL, A Partnership d/b/a BOALEECO,	04-12634 NG
Plaintiff,	MAGISTRATE JUDGE COVEN
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# To: THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1441 and 1446, and 12 U.S.C. §632, defendant Fleet National Bank, erroneously called Fleet Boston Financial Corporation ("Fleet") hereby files this Notice of Removal in the above-entitled action and sets out below the grounds for this Notice of Removal.

- 1. On December 10, 2004, plaintiffs H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal, A
  Partnership d/b/a Boaleeco, ("Boaleeco") filed a complaint (the "Original Complaint") against
  "FleetBoston Financial Corporation (f/k/a Fleet National Bank)" in the Superior Court of Essex
  County, Massachusetts. On December 13, 2004, Boal served process of the Original Complaint
  and Ex Part Motion for Temporary Restraining Order on Fleet National Bank.
- 2. On December 13, 2004, the Superior Court, Welch, J., entered a Temporary Restraining Order precluding Fleet from making payment on its Letter of Credit No. I-053-

NETS50027515 (the "Letter of Credit") originally issued in favor of the "Supreme Council of Universities" in Cairo, Egypt. The Letter of Credit as later amended making the Central Bank of Egypt the beneficiary.

- 3. The Complaint seeks damages and declaratory relief in connection with a Letter of Credit. The United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts has original jurisdiction by reason of 12 U.S.C. §632 because defendant Fleet National Bank is a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States, and the cause of action arises out of international banking transactions.
- 4. A copy of all process and pleadings served upon defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation are filed with this notice and are attached as Exhibit A.
- 5. Fleet will give written notice of the filing of this Notice as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), including filing a copy of this notice with the clerk of the Superior Court of Essex County, Massachusetts.

FLEET NATIONAL BANK, erroneously named FLEETBOSTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION, By its attorneys,

Donn A. Randall, BBO# 631590 J. Patrick Kennedy, BBO# 565778

Bulkley, Richardson, and Gelinas LLP One Post Office Squire, Suite 3700

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Dated: December 15, 2004

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Donn A. Randall, HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Removal was served on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004, by facsimile and first class mail, postage prepaid, upon the following counsel of record:

Robert L. Holloway, Jr., Esq. Thomas J. Flannagan, Esq. MacLean Holloway Doherty Ardif & Morse PC 8 Essex Center Drive Peabody, MA 01960

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# VERIFIED COMPLAINT

### **Parties**

- Plaintiffs H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal are partners doing business as Boaleeco l. [hereinafter "Boaleeco"], with a usual place of business at Waters Way Industrial Park, 56 Pulaski Street, Peabody, Essex County, Massachusetts.
- 2. The Defendant, FleetBoston Financial Corporation (fAda Fleet National Bank) [hereinafter "Fleet"], is a corporation with offices in this Commonwealth at 100 Federal Street, Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

# Factual Background

#### The Letter of Credit

- 3. On or about October 25, 1988, Fleet issued a standby letter of credit [hereinafter "letter of credit"] in the original amount of \$157,170.00) on behalf of Boaleeco and with a beneficiary of the "Supreme Council of Universities" [hereinafter "SCU"].
- 4. The letter of credit was issued to secure Boalecco's performance 'to comply with the terms of Contract No. SCU/25-88/ARF."
- 5. On or about June 30, 1989, Fleet arrended the letter of credit to change the beneficiary thereof from SCU to the Central Bank of Egypt [hereinafter "CBE"].
- 6. On or about June 16, 1998, Fleet further amended the letter of credit to change the amount thereof to \$50,000.00.

- 7. On or about April 23, 2004, Fleet further amended the letter of credit to change the expiration date to December 30, 2004.
- 8. To this date, December 10, 2004, at no time have any claims been made to Boaleeco by SCU or CBE alleging failure to perform under the subject contract.
- 9. However, Boaleeco has recently been informed by Fleet that CBE intends to draw on the letter of credit.
- 10. Neither SCU nor CBE are entitled to draw funds on account of the letter of credit.
- Despite this fact, Fleet has informed Boaleeco that it intends to honor the recent request by CBE to draw such funds.
- 12. If Fleet is permitted to pay the funds to CBE, thereby obligating Boaleeco to pay on the letter of credit, Boaleeco will be irreparably harmed because it will be nearly impossible to recoup those funds from CBE, whose offices are, upon information and belief, in Cairo, Egypt, and who is not, or may not, upon information and belief, be susceptible to service and jurisdiction in the Commonwealth.
- 13. The damage that Boaleeco will likely suffer if Fleet is permitted to pay funds to CBE on account of the letter of credit cannot be adequately and completely remedied at law.
- 14. Boaleeco has a reasonable likelihood of success on the merits of its claim because there has been no claim or demand upon Boaleeco under the subject contract and there is no basis for demand Fleet on the letter of credit. The original beneficiary of the letter of credit, SCU, upon information and belief, is no longer in operation.
- 15. Boaleeco seeks an injunction to prchibit Flect from paying over any funds to CBE on account of the letter of credit to preserve the status quo until such time as the issue of whether there is any valid claim by CBE against Boaleeco is resolved.
- 16. The injunctive relief sought by Boaleeco will not harm Fleet but will preserve the status quo. Denial of the injunctive relief sought will irreparably harm Boaleeco now and into the future because it will not be possible for Boaleeco to recoup the funds from CBE if they are improperly or wrongfully paid to CBE by Fleet.

#### WHEREFORE, Boaleeco requests that this Court:

- (a) Issue temporary injunctive relief to enjoin Fleet from paying any funds to CBE on account of the letter of credit;
- (b) Preliminarily and permanently enjoin Fleet from paying any funds to CBE on account of the letter of credit; and
- (c) award such other relief and issue such other orders as justice may require.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal,

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8 Essex Center Drive Peabody, MA 01960

Dated: December 10, 2004 (978) 774-7123

#### VERIFICATION

I. H. Bruce Boal, have read the above Verified Complaint and hereby verify that the facts stated therein are true and based upon my own personal knowledge, information and/or belief and/or on the books and records of Boaleece and, insofar as they are based upon information and belief, I believe them to be true.

Signed this tenth day of December, 2004 under the pains and penalties of perjurys

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(f/k/a Fleet National Bank),	)
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# Ex Parte MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Plaintiff H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal, A Partnership d/b/a Boaleeco ("Boaleeco") respectfully requests that this Court enjoin Defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation (Fleet") as follows:

- (a) Temporarily and preliminarily enjoin Fleet from paying any funds to CBE on account of the letter of credit; and
- (b) award such other relief and issue such other orders as justice may require.

As grounds for this Motion, Boaleeco hereby incorporates by reference the Verified Complaint.

Boaleeco also submits a proposed Order.

Respectfully submitted, H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal, A Partnership dib/a Boaleeco, By Iv Aubmeys,

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# Proposed Order

Plaintiff Boaleeco's Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order is ALLOWED. Accordingly, Defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation is preliminarily enjoined for ten days from the date of this Order from paying any funds to Central Bank of Egypt on the letter of credit originally issued on October 25, 1988.

By the Court,		
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# PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL PROCESS SERVER

Pursuant to Mass.R.Civ.P. 4(c), Plaintiff H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal, A Partnership d/b/a Boaleeco ("Boalcoco") respectfully requests that this Court appoint Richard Lombara of Beverly, Essex County, Massachusetts, a qualified disinterested person knowledgeable in the service of process, a person not a party to this Action, to serve all process in this Action. Appointment of Mr. Lombara will assure the immediate notification of Defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation of the orders issued by this Court, including but not limited to any orders relating to Boalcoco's request for a temporary restraining order.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Bruce Boal and Scott Lee Boal,
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# EMERGENCY EX PARTE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION REGARDING PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Plaintiff Boaleeco requests that the Court reconsider its decision, made last Friday, December 10, 2004, to issue a Short Order of Notice rather than a Temporary Restraining Order to enjoin Defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation from paying on a letter of credit. Plaintiff also requests that the Court issue a Temporary Restraining Order to last until such time as the Court, sitting at Lawrence, decides on the Plaintiff's original Temporary Restraining Order Motion. The hearing for that Motion, pursuant to the short order of notice, is set for 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 16, 2004. As grounds for this Motion for Reconsideration, Plaintiff states that its counsel has been informed by the Defendant (who was served in hand with the Complaint, Short Order of Notice, and accompanying papers this morning) will pay on the letter of credit no later than 3:00 p.m. today unless enjoined from doing so by the Court. David Grebe of Defendant Fleet has informed Plaintiff's counsel that the Defendant will refrain from paying only if an order to do so is made by this Court. Exhibit 1 — Affidavit of Thomas J. Flannagan.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests that this Court (1) reconsider its issuance of a short order of notice on Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order; and (2) issue a Temporary Restraining Order to last until such time as the Lawrence Superior Court (at the hearing scheduled for 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 16, 2004) renders a decision on Plaintiff's original Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order.

Respectfully submitted,
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# AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS J. FLANNAGAN

- I, Thomas J. Flannagan, hereby depose and state the following of my own personal knowledge.
- I am an attorney representing the Plaintiff Boalceco.
- On December 10, 2004, I brought an Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order with this Court, seeking to enjoin Defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation ("Defendant") from paying on a letter of credit.
- 3. This Court issued a Short Order of Notice rather than a Temporary Restraining Order, and a hearing is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2004 in Lawrence.
- 4. Service was made in hand upon the Defendant this morning. Shortly after service was made, Defendant's representative, David Grebe, called to inform me that he had received service of all papers. He also informed me that because a restraining order had not been issued by the Court the Defendant had no choice but to pay on the letter of credit no later than 3:00 p.m. today (December 13, 2004).
- Unless a Temporary Restraining Order is granted, the Defendant will pay on the letter of credit. Accordingly, the Plaintiff continues to have no adequate remedy at law.

Subscribed and sworn to under the pains and penalties of perjury this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004.

Thomas J. Flannagan

ESSEX, ss.

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TRIAL COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH SUPERIOR COURT DEPARTMENT CIVIL ACTION NUMBER: 04-02225

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# Programmed Order

Plaintiff Boaleeco's "Emergency Ex Parte Motion for Reconsideration Regarding Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order" is ALLOWED. After reconsideration, Plaintiff's Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order is ALLOWED. Accordingly, Defendant FleetBoston Financial Corporation is preliminarily enjoined from the date of this Order from paying any funds to Central Bank of Egypt on the letter of credit originally issued on October 25, 1988. This temporary restraining order shall continue in effect until such time as this Court, sitting at Lawrence, decides Plaintiff's original "Ex Parte Motion for Temporary Restraining Order", which is scheduled for hearing at 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 16, 2004 at Lawrence Superior Court. Their order expires at Ziochim.

December 16, 2004.
By the Court

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# County of Essex The Superior Court

CIVIL DOCKET# ESCV2004-02225-C

RE: Boal et al v FleetBoston Financial Corporation

TO:Thomas J Flannagan, Esquire
MacLean Holloway Doherty Ardiff & Morse PC
8 Essex Center Drive
Peabody, MA 01960

#### TRACKING ORDER - F TRACK

You are hereby notified that this case is on the **fast (F) track** as per Superior Court Standing Order 1-88. The order requires that the various stages of litigation described below must be completed not later than the deadlines indicated.

#### STAGES OF LITIGATION

### DEADLINE

Service of process made and return filed with the Court	03/10/2005
Response to the complaint filed (also see MRCP 12)	05/09/2005
All motions under MRCP 12, 19, and 20 fi ed	05/09/2005
All motions under MRCP 15 filed	05/09/2005
All discovery requests and depositions completed	10/06/2005
All motions under MRCP 56 served and heard	11/05/2005
Final pre-trial conference held and firm trial date set	12/05/2005
Case disposed	02/03/2006

The final pre-trial deadline is <u>not the scheduled date of the conference</u>. You will be notified of that date at a later time.

Counsel for plaintiff must serve this tracking order on defendant before the deadline for filing return of service.

This case is assigned to session C sitting in CtRm 3 (Lawrence) at Essex Superior Court.

Dated: 12/10/2004

Thomas H. Driscoll Jr. Clerk of the Courts

BY: Kevin Jones
Assistant Clerk

Location: CtRm 3 (Lawrence) Telephone: (978) 687-7463

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# FORM JS 44 ADDENDUM TO LOCAL COVER SHEET

8. Plaintiff moved ex parte for an injunction prohibiting Fleet National Bank from paying on a letter of credit. The Superior Court granted a Temporary Restraining Order pending a hearing in this matter. The hearing was scheduled for December 16, 2004.

SJS 44 (Rev. 3/99)

# **CIVIL COVER SHEET**

The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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	11.			. 550, 555, 625, 710, 72 50, 890, 892-894, 895,		*Also comp		or AO 121 r copyright cases
	III.		345, 350, 355	, 230, 240, 245, 290, 3 , 360, 362, 365, 370, 3	71,			
x	IV.	220, 422, 423, 430,	460, 510, 530	, 610, 620, 630, 640, 6	50, 660,			270
		690, 810, 861-865,			· · ·	63	Δ	
	v.	150, 152, 153.			19	600	-3	
				rule 40 (1(d)). All more to the first filed case in this		or related cas		
Has a	prior actio	n between the same p	arties and ba	sed on the same claim	ever been f	iled in this co	r	
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	3,				YES	NO	x	
If so,	is the U.S.A	A. or an officer, agent o	or employee of	the U.S. a party?	1L3	110	استسا	
					YES	NO		
ls this	s case requ	ired to be heard and d	etermined by	a district court of three	judges pui	suant to title	28 USC §228	34?
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					YES	X NO		
	Α.	If yes, in which div	I-unda-nd	the non-governmenta	l parties res	ide?		r-1
		Eastern Division	X	Central Division	L]	Western	Division	
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